THOMAS O. GILLIS, SBN 40186 1 ATTORNEY AT LAW 1006 H STREET, SUITE 1 MODESTO, CALIFORNIA 95354 TEL: (209) 575-3116 FAX: (209) 575-5956 4 Attorney for Debtor 5 MANUEL TORRES 6 UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT 7 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA SAN JOSE DIVISION 8 9 CASE NO. 12-56569 In Re: MANUEL TORRES, Chapter 11 10 Date: November 1, 2012 Time: 10:00 am 11 Place: US Bankruptcy Court Debtor. 280 S 1<sup>st</sup> St 12 Courtroom 3099 3rd Fl.. 13 San Jose, CA 14 Judge: Hon. Stephen L. Johnson 15 DEBTOR'S PRELIMINARY STATUS REPORT 16 17 Manuel Torres, Debtor, submits the following status report. 18 (1) Post-Petition Activities 19 A Chapter 11 bankruptcy was filed September 5, 2012. 20 The Debtors' schedules, statement of financial affairs, and other required documents 21 were timely filed. 22 The Debtors and their attorney attended the initial debtor's interview on October 3 23 2012 and provided required documents. 24 The meeting of creditors required by 11 U.S.C.§ 341 was held on October 10, 2012 at 25 10: 30 am and was concluded. 26 The United States Trustee has not yet appointed a committee of unsecured creditors. 27 28 1

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#### (2) Introduction to Debtors

Debtor is single person with one teenage son. He operates Torres Auto Sales, a used car lot located in San Jose, CA. He has operated the sales lot for 15 years. He makes a modest living, about \$5,000 per month, and owns three residential rentals.

All four properties are over secured with first mortgages.

# (3) The Probable Reorganization to be Proposed by Debtor

Debtor plans to negotiate a reasonable value and reasonable repayment terms on first mortgages on the three rentals. Motions to value collaterals are now being prepared and will soon be filed.

#### (4) Filing of Plan

The Debtors intend to file a plan prior to the end of the Debtors' exclusivity period.

#### (5) Cramdown

The Debtors intend to confirm the plan under 1129 (a) (8)

#### (6) Valuation of Assets

The Debtors may require a Court hearing in establishing the valuation of assets.

#### (7) Cash Collateral and Adequate Protection

There are issues of cash collateral in this case. Debtor is impounding and segregating the rent receipts in a debtor-in-possession account.

#### (8) Environmental Issues

The Debtors are unaware of any claims which are based on environmental laws.

### (9) Objections to Claims

Debtors do not anticipate the need to object to the claims filed to date.

### Post-Confirmation Sale of Assets (10)The plan is not expected to include any provision for the post-confirmation sale of assets which might require the involvement of the Court. **Anticipated Professional Fees** (11)The Debtors, in their capacity as debtor-in-possession, has employed Thomas O. Gillis as their attorney in the Chapter 11 case. An order authorizing such employment has been filed. Attorney's fees through confirmation of a plan are estimated to be \$30,000. Accountants may need to be employed, and fees are estimated to be \$2, 500. Appraisals have been obtained prior to filing the petition. Dated: 10/24/12

Respectfully submitted,

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